

## **CLAYTON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**

**Monday, May 20, 2013**

**The Center of Clayton – Multipurpose Room C**

**Members present:** Ira Berkowitz, Brad Bernstein, Mimi Deem, Laurel Harrington, Michelle Harris, Eric Schneider, Mark Stapleton and Melanie Tamsky.

**Absent:** Marguerite Garrick, Darryl Higuchi and Andrea Maddox-Dallas

*Also Present:* Patty DeForrest and Denise Ucinski.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes from the April meeting were not approved; review postponed until the June meeting.

### **Addresses from the Audience:**

There were no addresses from the audience.

### **Shaw Park Multi-Use Facility Presentation:**

Mr. Michael Pratl and Mr. Anselmo Testa from Jacobs Engineering conducted the Shaw Park Multi-Use Facility presentation. (See attached presentation for additional details.) Jacobs met with the Steering Committee in April. The committee refined the options to two schemes.

Mr. Testa gave an overview of the facility concepts and provided an explanation as to how the ideas came to fruition. He spoke about the nature of the site, the rink being NHL regulation size, development of a facility program and possible activities that could take place in the summer to increase revenue.

Both conceptual drawings, as well as aerial views, were presented to the Commission and the audience. Both options showed building schemes and roof schemes. These included:

**Option #1** (Scheme A) – This plaza level scheme would consist of a restaurant with a minimal kitchen area in the back to allow for better service, control traffic and provide easy access for trash removal. It would also include: a warming hut area close to the street, equipment rental and lobby on the second level and entry to the facility near the Century Garden. A large events terrace would overlook the rink and be accessible from the Century Garden. An event support facility located on the east side would be for storage, the fire pit, additional locker rooms and restrooms.

**Option #2** (Scheme B) – This single story plaza level scheme would have all of the buildings on the west side. The scheme was developed with synergy and the Tennis center in mind; the restaurant would stand alone on the east side near the back of the ice rink. The proposal has bleachers facing the tennis center. A disadvantage with this scheme is that some storage would need to be located somewhere else due to lack of space.

Facility and roof factors include the following: environmental issues, transparency, sun and shade control, rain protection, provide a nice view of the park and the City, have a sense of place, be iconic and from an operational standpoint be flexible and sustainable. Research showed that having a retractable roof would be too much operationally. Both roof schemes were shown on each building scheme. Roof scheme one would be a lattice roof structure and roof scheme two would be more artsy and opaque so long shards of light would shine through the open space. A determination would have to be made in regards to what panels need to be opaque and which ones would be clear. The cost of the lattice roof is estimated to be \$4,850,000 and the artistic roof is estimated to be \$5,300,000. The next steps are to select a scheme, present the scheme to the BOA, and then utilize the design to begin fundraising.

The Commission discussed having warmer looking material for the roof and making it simpler. The height of the roof would be about thirty-two feet at the apex and it would not be higher than the ten meter board at the Shaw Park Aquatic Center. Furthermore, the roof would cover the bleachers, plus five feet on each side would provide shade to areas outside of it.

One of the goals in the Master Plan is to eliminate buildings; Scheme B would allow for the eliminate the tennis building. Ms. Harrington stated that she liked Scheme B because it allows continuity and provides dual usage between the tennis center and the ice rink. Scheme A is similar to the aquatic center layout. Ms. Harrington said there are merits to both schemes. Mr. Stapleton said the more open air feel at the rink the better. Ms. DeForrest noted that the proposals are much safer than drop off is now because children will be able to go directly into the facility rather than having to walk to the back of it. The new facility can be less of a structure since the current one holds a lot of ice making equipment we no longer need.

After an in-depth discussion the Commission determined that Scheme B with the lattice roof and elimination of the tennis center building is the preferred scheme. The scheme offers more transparency, provides a better view from the street, and the ice opens to the garden area.

**Director's Report:**

-The City of Clayton's standard signage will be used at Anderson Park. The park opening has been delayed to weather conditions. It is slated to open in June.

-A contract was awarded for the Enterprise Holdings Pavilion. Construction will begin in June and the plan is for the pavilion to be completed by the end of September. Some changes had to be made to the original pavilion design in order to decrease the project budget.

-Projects at the Hanley House are going well.

-The Artist Guild will vacate the building at the end of this year. The City has to evaluate the buildings condition and, at this time, has no plan for usage but will begin looking for a tenant or tenants soon.

**Old Business / New Business:**

No new or old business was reported.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm

Respectfully Submitted By: Denise Ucinski